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#### BAD ROADS VERY EXPENSIVE

Value of Horses and Mules in One County in Missouri Deteriorated 3 Per Cent Annually.

From the 1910 United States census reports it is found that the value of horses and mules in one county in Missouri was \$831,089. The value of farm vehicles, harness and other equipment was \$375,000, making a total of \$1,206,089. The present roads of the county cause all animals, vehicles and harness to deteriorate three per cent per annum faster than they would on improved roads. Three per cent of \$1,206,089 is \$36,182.

This is only one source of loss which the county must bear every year on account of bad roads. Again, the cost per ton mile for hauling on the roads in the county is 30 cents, while the cost on good roads is only 14 cents per ton mile, thus saving 16 cents per ton mile.

There are about one hundred thousand tons hauled an average of five miles in the county; 75 per cent of this amount would be over improved roads provided the present bond issue carries.

Seventy-five per cent of the 100,000 tons equal 75,000 tons.

This amount hauled five miles represents 375,000 ton miles; 375,000 tons multiplied by 16 cents equals \$60,000 plus \$36,182 equals \$96,182 total annual loss on account of present roads as compared to improved roads. This annual loss would be eliminated if the main or heavily traveled roads of the county were improved.

#### New Roads for New York State.

New York will construct during the current year nearly four hundred and thirty miles of improved roads of the best types under the direction of the state highway department. Of this aggregate about one hundred and twenty-six miles will consist of concrete roads, 42 miles of brick roads, 229 miles of bituminous macadam roads, 226 miles of waterbound macadam road, and about six miles of miscellaneous types. This mileage comprises the roads which have been put under contract to June 1.

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## ROAD BUILDING

### CONSTRUCTION OF A CULVERT

Consideration of Economy and Safety Demands Employment of Other Material Than Wood.

By far the greater number of culverts and bridges on our public roads have a span of less than fifty feet. In the past these structures have, in general, been built of wood, but lumber so exposed in this dry climate is subject to rapid decay, writes Walter Graham in Denver Field and Farm. Consequently these structures require a great deal of repair and frequent renewals. The ever-increasing price of lumber is making the further use of wood for this class of structures more and more indefensible. The loads which our highway structures are called upon to sustain are also increasing. In many of our agricultural localities the movement of steam road rollers and heavy traction engines is seriously hampered because of weak bridges and culverts. Consideration of economy and safety demands the use of other materials than wood in the construction of culverts and bridges.

Durability is of the greatest economic importance. In many sections a large proportion of the annual road levy is expended in repair and renewal of wooden culverts and minor bridges, and it is not unusual to find this practice defended on the ground that the county or district cannot afford to build the higher-priced permanent culverts. This notion is simply a false sense of economy. True, the first cost of the permanent structure is greater, but there the outlay ends, while with wooden culverts there is a large annual outlay for repair, as well as frequent renewals. Anyone interested in road improvement will find it most interesting to secure the following data for his own county or district: The number of culverts, cost of labor and material for repair and renewal each year, average life of wooden culverts and the ordinary life of wooden bridge floors. Then he could compute how long it would be before the actual present expenditure would pay for permanent culverts.

Later improvements in the manufacture of iron have made this material more generally available for use in culvert construction. A special quality of iron, very low in carbon, resists corrosion so well as to make its use advisable in many cases, and this is an important point for the irrigated districts. The cutting away of the soil by the water at the inlet or outlet of a clay or cement pipe is often responsible for its progressive break-down and partial exposure of this character are extremely dangerous in time of freshet to any form of construction. It is doubtful whether the majority of practical roadbuilders have given consideration to the fact that by building suitable wing walls for any bridge or pipe they can very largely increase its carrying capacity. A V-shaped entrance-way so increases the velocity of the water as to enable a given conduit to perform the work of one of much larger diameter which has an end wall at right angles to the flow.

### FRUIT IN ATTRACTIVE FORM

Never Pack Wormy, Badly Bruised and Poor Apples in Same Package—Make Quality Uniform.

(By E. S. MACKINTOSH.)  
The way fruit is put on the market determines whether it will sell at the highest figure. If we are to be successful in disposing of the surplus fruit we must be sure the fruit is packed in an attractive manner. The package often sells the fruit.

In the first place the apples should be hand picked. In the second place, clean boxes or barrels should be used. Do not put choice apples in old boxes, sacks or barrels. Pack the apples tightly to prevent bruising.

Select the type of package best suited to the demands of the market. Some markets want apples in boxes, while others prefer the barrel. Always consider the other fellow. Would you want to buy apples that were wormy, badly bruised, good and bad in the same package? No! you want apples of uniform quality, put up in an attractive form.

### Sod-Mulch Treatment.

The sod-mulch treatment of the soil in apple orchards cannot be generally recommended for our state conditions, says a New York state bulletin. Occasionally, however, in exceptional locations, it proves more profitable to leave an orchard in sod, and cut the grass to serve as mulch over the tree roots, than to plow down the cover crops in the spring and keep the soil clean and well stirred during the summer.

## Orchard Information

### COVER CROPS FOR ORCHARDS

Any Plant Producing Large Amount of Green Material to Be Plowed Under Can Be Used.

(By E. P. SANDERSTEN, Colorado Agricultural College.)

What crop to use in orchards can best be determined by local conditions and character of soil. In other words, the choice of plants is a local problem. Any crop that will produce a large amount of green material to be plowed under can be used. Oats sown early in the spring will form a heavy mat of herbage and should be plowed under when in milk. Red clover is another excellent crop, but in this case the clover crop should remain in the orchard for two years. The first crop of clover should be cut and left on the ground, while the second crop should be plowed under when in blossom. The fruit growers should bear in mind that the orchard is not a hay field and that very little good will result from the use of cover crops if the crop is cut for hay. Besides, there is danger from poisoning if the orchard is sprayed with arsenical poisons. Alfalfa is not adapted to orchards, as it is difficult to eradicate and no orchard should be left permanently in sod.

The question is sometimes asked: Why cannot weeds be used as cover crops? The objection to weeds is mostly from the fact that they do not mature at the same time and in order to get the best results they have to be cut too early, and even then some species of plants will have already matured their seeds, which afterwards may be difficult to eradicate. Field peas is another excellent crop for the orchard. The point that the writer wishes to emphasize is that the use of a cover crop is not primarily to increase the fertility of the land, but to add vegetable matter.

### STRAWBERRIES UNDER GLASS

Choice Fruit for Family Table May Be Raised by Use of Cold Frames—Use Any Variety.

Choice fruit for the family table may be raised by the following method: Strawberries for winter fruiting, stout, stocky plants of this year's growth, should be carefully taken up with balls of earth and placed in the cold frames before the ground freezes. Manure should be spread between the rows. Slide on the sash at night and cold, wet days. Cover with straw mats at night, but give an abundance



Luscious Strawberries.

of air when the weather is mild. Keep the soil moist and mellow. The latter part of January the outside frames should be lined with 20 inches of horse manure should be spread between the plants into growth. Air in the middle of any mild day. Put on extra mats when nights are frosty. Any good, perfect, flowering variety may be used. When plants are in bloom take a whisk broom and gently shake the flower stems to distribute the pollen.

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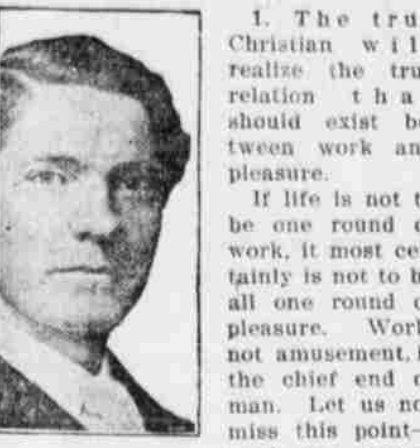
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## The Christian and Amusements

By REV. WILLIAM EVANS, D. D., Director of Bible Course, Moody Bible Institute, Chicago

TEXT—And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.—Col. 3:17.



1. The true Christian will realize the true relation that should exist between work and pleasure. If life is not to be one round of work, it must certainly be not to be all one round of pleasure. Work, not amusement, is the chief end of man. Let us not miss this point—work, not amusement, is the business of life. God has laid upon every man the necessity of work, and for this reason has distributed "to every man his work." Is it not just in this connection that we may be justified in finding fault with the professional sport, the man who gives up his whole life to pleasure? When the main thing in college and university life is athletics are we not justified in protesting that life's main purpose is being lost sight of? Play and amusement is but a side issue in life; when it becomes the whole thing, then it is harmful and sinful, no matter whether the amusement in question be in the forbidden category or not; then even innocent amusement becomes morally bad. Amusement is to work what whetting the scythe is to harvesting; he who never stops to create an edge to his scythe and cuts but little, while he who whets the scythe all day cuts none. If the mother enjoys amusements more than she does her children, the wife more than her husband, the student more than his books, then amusements are harmful and wrong.

2. The true Christian will see to it that his amusements are really recreative, and not dissipative. A man may lie so long in a bath that he comes out of it all exhausted, or he can take a plunge or shower and come out all the better prepared for the duties of life. So it is with amusements; it may be just the opposite. The amusements of the Christian should build up lost tissue, rest the tired body and rejuvenate the jaded mind, they must build up the whole man—physically, mentally, morally and spiritually.

1. The Christian's pleasures will recreate physically. The body of the Christian is the temple of the holy ghost. It is incumbent upon him therefore that he keep his body in as good, clean, pure, and healthy a condition as possible. The body needs relaxation; it needs rest from the strain and tension of life; it needs new blood, new nerve tissues; it needs by means of recreation, to be better fitted for the real tasks that lie within its sphere of labor.

The test the Christian must apply to his pleasures is this: do they recreate and restore the waste tissues of the body? Excess in athletics is not recreation. Young men have died from over-strain in running; girls have been ruined for life by excessive rope jumping. Many pleasures dissipate the powers of the body instead of recreating them. Apply such a test to certain forms of popular amusements prevalent today: the theater, the dance, the card party. Do they recreate, or do they dissipate? Do they violate the laws of physical health by their late hours, their impure atmosphere, their mode of dress and conduct, or are they perfectly consistent with the observance of the laws of good health and hygiene? If these amusements violate the laws of health, then, until such times as they can be brought within the realm of recreative pleasures, the Christian must place them on the forbidden list.

2. The pleasures of the Christian should recreate mentally. The physical must not be developed at the expense of the mental. Giantism must by no means supplant intellectualism. Mind is greater than body, as Gladstone and Blaisdell are greater than John L. Sullivan or James J. Jeffries. The Christian must ask himself, therefore, "What effect do my pleasures and amusements have upon my mind, my thought, my thinking? Do they build up, ennoble, purify, sanctify, or do they debauch, befoul, besmirch, debauch? Is my thinking higher, nobler, more God-like because of the pleasures in which I engage?"

All things are not to be judged by the eye; the mind discerns also. Shakespeare speaks of the man "who hath a body filled with a vacant mind, gets him to rest crammed with distressful bread." The Christian is to judge his amusements by this standard. Apply this principle to literature. What books do we read? If the Christian's master should inquire, "What readest thou?" what would be our reply? Beware lest our minds become diseased by the reading of light and trashy literature.

## WAS VERY MUCH IN EARNEST

Woman's Desire for Liberation From Wrecked Train Accompanied by Terrible Threat.

A fast "limited" was bowling over the sands of Arizona. Just how it happened was frequently explained, and never understood, but as the train sped along the side of a parched river it suddenly left the rails, rolled down the bank and landed in three feet of muddy water at the bottom of the river bed.

Within the cars there was some natural confusion. Men, women and lunch boxes were thrown into a heap, and not an umbrella or a parcel was left in the racks.

One by one the occupants of the rear car extricated themselves from the mass and sought for means of escape, while standing various wounds caused by broken glass. Every exit was jammed tight. Just then, in the midst of the doubt and confusion, rose a woman's voice in emphatic demand: "Let me out! Let me out! If you don't let me out, I'll break a window."

## HEAD IN WATERY PIMPLES

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